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Serial No. 09/676,380
Docket No. 99-057

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :
Applicant: Baron et al. : **SOLUBLE EPIDERMAL GROWTH
FACTOR RECEPTOR-LIKE
PROTEINS AND THEIR USES
IN CANCER DETECTION METHODS**
Serial No. 09/676,380 :
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Examiner: C. Borgeest :
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**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
July 13, 2007**

RESPONSE

On June 29, 2007, a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was mailed regarding amendments to the claims. Each claim was not provided a proper status identifier.

Applicants previously made one very minor edit to claim 23, which did not include new matter, and canceled the rejected claims 9-17 leaving only the allowable claims 18-31 in consideration for allowance. Applicants have removed the claim text for the canceled claims 9-17 according to 37 CFR 1.121 hereby correcting the non-compliant amendment.

With this timely response, Applicants respectfully request that these amendments be entered and a notice of allowance for previously allowable claims 18-31.

Respectfully submitted,

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